MIKE WARD ON TELLY

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What a prize booby, Ruby

SHE DESERVES PSYCHO SEAN

GOD knows EastEnders has been saddled with some serious dimwits over the years.

Ricky Butcher, Martin "Lanky Moron" Fowler, Robbie Jackson, Zoe Slater, dopey Demi Miller, Kelly With The Rectangular Mouth – the full list would be as dense as the phone book in more ways than one.

But today we must ask ourselves: Is drippy Ruby Allen officially the doziest resident in the history of Walford?

Does she have the brain of a fruit fly, the IQ of a Happy Shopper baked bean and, pound for pound, fractionally less common sense than you'd find in a small scoop of your own earwax?

I fear so. On Thursday she buried her dad, gangster Johnny Allen – a gentleman who, for the first 17 years of Ruby's life, had convinced his dozy daughter that his empire was built from good old-fashioned graft and definitely not, in any way whatsoever, from lobbing people off the edge of flyovers.

It was an emotional funeral, with almost enough mourners to pack a Smart car. But by Friday, Ruby had a big soppy grin back on her face.

She was excitedly announcing her engagement to Sean Slater – the screwed-up ex-squaddie who couldn't have made his real intentions any more blindingly obvious if he'd rammed a loaded pistol against her head and suggested a romantic stroll to the nearest Natwest cashpoint.

Despite grave warnings from Fat Pat, gullible orphan Ruby had convinced herself Sean was looking out for her.

Never mind that when she'd cuddled up to him and sobbed her heart out in Monday's episode, leaking litres of mucus onto his favourite T-shirt, Sean's face displayed all the compassion of a bloke trying to remember where he'd left his Nintendo.

Of course, the irony is that it's cold-hearted, calculating Sean who's actually been left looking the prat. By the time Ruby had naively agreed to be his fiancée, he'd learned to his horror that her inheritance would remain in trust for years.

Still, who's to say they won't make a great team?

Ruthless Sean with his thick skin. And gormless Ruby with the head to match.

HAS Emmerdale's Sam Dingle secretly done a Hayley Cropper?

In Wednesday's episode, Emily suggested it must be hard for a lad like him to raise a child alone.

"I'm not a lad," Sam insisted. "Not any more..."

CORRIE'S Barmy Bev lost her rag on Friday night with Adam "Punch My Lights Out, I'm A Smug Tw*t And I Deserve It" Barlow.

Helping out with magazine deliveries at the Kabin, the lad had thoughtlessly gone ahead and delivered the latest issue of Golfing Life to the home of her dear departed Fred.

"Not the surprise I was expecting," Bev sobbed, "on what would have been his birthday."

Fair point. Although in Adam's defence, I gather Golfing Death can be pretty hard to get hold of.

Losing the race

DID you see that interpreter sketch near the end of Thursday's **Catherine Tate Show** (BBC2)? Is it just me, or was that the most racist bit of TV comedy we've seen in years?

This potty woman, claiming she was multilingual, went into a company boardroom where bigwigs from seven different countries were waiting for her to translate.

But instead of really speaking any of their languages, she just made a load of deeply insulting, stereotypical foreign-sounding noises that she presumably reckoned sounded near enough.

First she subjected the French representative to this abuse, then the Spaniard, then the Swede, Indian, Italian, Chinese, and finally the African.

Absolutely disgraceful, I'm sure you'll agree.

Why no German?

ROYLE SMILE

BRITAIN'S second-best telly critic was back on BBC1 last night. He may have been away for six years but **The Royle Family**'s Jim was as razor-sharp as ever, ranting about Noel Edmonds and ripping into rubbish like Location Location Lo-bloody-cation.

You can tell Jim's a proper TV critic, because: a) he doesn't mince his words and b) he hadn't bothered changing his shirt since the start of the new millennium. The whiff of authenticity.

Story-wise, the actual episode, a one-off special, was quite a weepie – the birth of Dave and Denise's new sprog, followed by the death of poor barmy old Nan.

But it kept up the laughs and, even in the saddest bits, never got too mawkish.

Just as well. Can't imagine Jim putting up with mawk, can you?

Bet he hated bloody Mindy and all.

Carrying a Torchwood

COOLEST new gizmo of the week was the instant portable prison type-thingummy™, seen on the fabulous new Doctor Who spin-off **Torchwood** (BBC2, Wednesday).

About the size and shape of a pebble, it seems you can chuck it at a troublesome alien baddie and – hey, presto! – an instant force-field shoots up and holds them captive.

I want one for Christmas. Either that or I'd like the big metal hand we saw the Torchwood team using to bring a dead person back to life. That'd be a really neat Boxing Day trick if we dig up my gran again.

As the series goes on, I'm sure I'll be just as excited by other bits of ingenious technogubbins unveiled by our old chum Captain Jack and his dedicated team of Cardiff-based freak-fighters. Two episodes in and I'm already hooked on this show.

It's got the drama, action, imagination and humour of Doctor Who – plus sex and swearing. How could it fail?

Strictly between you and me, I've even found myself fancying new recruit Gwen Cooper, the ex-cop.

I know she's got a big gap between her front teeth, but I actually find that really sexy. Even more important, I bet you it'll turn out to be the gateway to a parallel universe.

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Steve's not so stocky!

HAPPY Stephen Kay is no longer a laughing stock – after shedding 16 stone on a diet of Oxo cubes and wholemeal bread.

The 6ft 2in super slimmer, 39, from St Breward, Cornwall, weighed 31st, left, but is down to 15 on his diet, topped up with fruit and veg.

He decided it was time to slim after pestering by wife Caroline, 42, and kids Gary, 21, Claire, 14, and Jack, 11.

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RACHEL 'KILLED BY DUMPED BOYFRIEND'

MYSTERY: Rachel Whitear

Witness says addict confessed

NEW documents claim a student whose death was used in an anti-drugs campaign was murdered by her jilted ex-boyfriend.

■ by LISA McCARTHY

Images of Rachel Whitear's curled-up body, still clutching a syringe, were part of a campaign to scare users off drugs.

Papers submitted to the High Court in London allege her ex-boyfriend Luke Fitzgerald gave her the fatal dose of heroin and then attempted to clean up the scene.

Detectives re-investigating the death have obtained new witness statements that claim Fitzgerald, a known heroin addict, had been with 21-year-old Rachel when she died in her Exmouth, Devon, bedsit in 2000. One witness said Fitzgerald confessed to fatally injecting his former partner. It had been assumed that she accidentally overdosed herself.

The High Court bowed to pressure earlier this month and ordered a new inquest into the student's death, which will probably take place next year.

Judges were told the new evidence, compiled by Wiltshire police, is of such significance that it should be put before a coroner's court.

Risk

The documents also allege "the existence of another witness who had spoken to Rachel's boyfriend and as a result had formed the view that he was present when Rachel died".

The new evidence also claims that officials connected with the first inquest did not carry out a post mortem exam because they were wary of the possible HIV risk attached to her body.

Fitzgerald, 31, was arrested in 2003 on suspicion of Rachel's manslaughter but later released without charge.

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SHOCKER: An anti-drugs drive used this image of Rachel lying dead

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HOW DARE MADGE TRASH MY FAMILY

JET-SETTER: Madonna flew with baby David to New York for TV appearances

Picture: STEVE BAGNESS

Dad hits out over star's TV Aids claims

■ by LISA McCARTHY

MADONNA was branded a liar by her adopted African child's father last night as she jetted out to the US for a string of telly interviews.

Thirteen-month-old David Banda's real dad Yohane rubbished her claims that his son is an Aids orphan.

He says the pop queen, 48, lied on The Oprah Winfrey Show last week when she told viewers that David's natural mother had died of the disease along with his brother and sister.

The furious Malawian peasant farmer, 32, says his life is in ruins because of the stigma.

"She never went for an HIV test and she died at her parents' house, so how could anyone know if that is what she died of?" Yohane demanded.

"The clinic she attended when she became ill during pregnancy had diagnosed anaemia."

He is also angry at Madge's claims that neither he nor any of his family visited his son after he was put in an orphanage at just two weeks old.

Diva

During the Oprah interview, the pop diva said she was told David had been abandoned by his family.

But Mr Banda insisted: "I visited David many times, too many to count."

The tot's grandmother also visited him while his uncle "saw him every day, sometimes twice a day".

Madge flew from London to New York with David and her own children, daughter Lourdes, 10, and son Rocco, six.

But friends revealed she is to build a home in Malawi to make sure David stays in touch with his real family.

She also wants to buy a home for Yohane, who put David in the orphanage because he couldn't afford to take care of him.

A source said: "People say she bought the baby as if he were a designer handbag, but she didn't take the decision to adopt David lightly."

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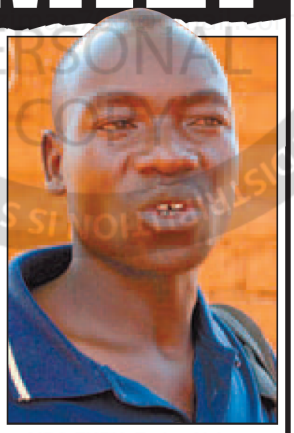

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SAGGY-bummed blokes are snapping up padded pants. Girls led the craze for J-Lo-style curves but now guys are buying £150 butt-boosting undies.
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Becks scores with undies

■ by SARA HOWLETT

GLAMOUR girl Victoria Beckham has revealed husband David loves buying her undies to spice things up in the bedroom.

Posh said her "Goldenballs" shops for sexy bras and knickers and always gives her smalls for her birthday.

She said: "I'm so lucky that David likes getting underwear for me, and even more fortunate that he has very good taste.

Speaking to a magazine she added: "Really, all I ever want as a present is a pair of pyjamas and some slippers – well maybe some nice lingerie from David too, if he insists."

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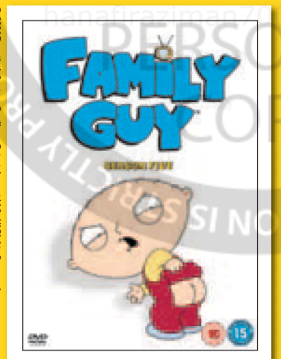

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KELLY'S BLACK MAGIC SPOOKS SHARON

LITTLE DEVIL: Kelly and mum

Mum's fury over the hex factor

HER dad may be the Prince of Darkness – but that didn't stop Kelly Osbourne's mum going nuts when her spooky sprog held a seance to contact the devil.

Kelly held a star-studded shindig to celebrate her 22nd birthday at a Camden boozer.

But after she and her guests joined hands with a medium, the former chubster was terrified when the candles went out and furniture started moving.

So she called her mum for help. And if there's one person who can stand up to Beelzebub, it's X Factor judge Sharon, 54.

Our man with the holy water

EXCLUSIVE

said: "Sharon was absolutely fuming. She likes a good Halloween party. But she draws the line at meddling with dangerous, otherworldly forces.

"So she gave Kelly the mother-of-all tongue-lashings and ordered her to put the medium on the phone."

Demons

It quickly transpired that the medium was more adept at contacting prank merchandise providers than demons.

So order was restored in two shakes of a devil's tail.

But Kelly wanted to be trick and treated, so the foolish scallywag then enlisted the services of a black witch to cast hexes on various enemies.

The cheeky madam and her pals wrote down the names of people who had incurred their vengeful wrath and gave them to the spooky sorceress.

They then chanted unsavoury incantations to teach their enemies a ghoulish lesson.

But Kelly regretted her actions and unsuccessfully begged the witch to reverse the spells.

Our nosy old bat said: "Kelly phoned her mum in tears but the witch was about as powerful as the charlatan medium.

"From now on, the only demon of darkness she'll contact is her old man Ozzy."

Better the devil you know...

BONDING: Dame Judi with Amy, Leigh and Charli

Judi sent cockeyed

BLOND Bond **Daniel Craig** has a real licence to thrill says **Dame Judi Dench.**

The impossibly sweet thesp, who plays M in the 007 movies, had a trailer opposite the sexy superspy, 38, during filming of the Casino Royale remake.

But she didn't expect Bond to be in the buff one day as she wandered past his quarters – though it didn't stop the I Spy queen from ogling his, er, golden gun.

Rudy Judi, 71, told us: "It's an absolute monster. Sorry, I shouldn't say that should I? How uncouth of me."

Not at all Jude... it shouldn't be for your eyes only, anyway.

HAVE YOU GOT SOME JUICY GOSSIP FOR US?

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SISTERS AT WAR

LISA Scott-Lee might be losing a brother, but she's gaining a sister as well as a massive chip on her shoulder.

Liberty X babe **Michelle Heaton**, 26, got hitched to Lisa's little bro **Andy**, also 26, two weeks ago. But she fears the former Steps star would have sooner eaten the wedding dress than let the pair walk down the aisle.

Michelle explained: "I'm sure she'd be happier if Andy was marrying someone who wasn't so outspoken."

Catty Lisa, 31, voiced her concerns on her reality TV show Totally Scott Lee.

SPOTTED

IN London: **Sadie Frost** dousing herself in fake blood at the Cafe Royal, **Leslie Ash** touching up her trout pout at Mango Room, **Martine McCutcheon** waxing lyrical about her Vodafone mobile at Carphone Warehouse, **Frank Lampard** struggling with chopsticks at Nobu Berkeley and **Christopher Biggins** scoffing chips at Grosvenor House Hotel.

QUICKIES..

DO-GOODER **Bob Geldof** dragged his unruly charge **Peaches** along with him to donate some blood.

But Bob, 55, was horrified when nurses turned the 17-year-old away because she's secretly had a unicorn tattooed on to her back.

An insider said: "Poor Peaches didn't know we can't accept donors who have had tattoos or piercings within the last year. So she was truly busted.

"But I think Bob was secretly amused."

That's one thing we have in common with the grumpy old leprechaun.

WE are sad to reveal **Brad Pitt**, below, is suffering from a crack problem. The hunk, 42, entertained and repulsed co-stars on the set of his new movie Babel by giving himself an almighty wedgie and "waddling around like a duck".

He said: "Throughout the movie, I'd walk around like that.

"You've got to find things to make you laugh during the shoot. **Cate Blanchett** called it the Hungry Bum. It's when your bum's so hungry it's trying to eat your pants."

We're glad something's hungry, we've lost our appetites now.

AFTER five years **Diddy** has suddenly decided to admit he cheated on **Jennifer Lopez**, 37.

The mucky rapper, 36, dated the generously-bottomed star in 2000, but even her ample charms weren't enough to keep him away from other booty.

He said: "I cheated on her with the actress **Kim Porter** but it wasn't cheating to me. Jennifer did her thing on some things too. She just said dang about it and that."

They clearly weren't together for the conversation.

HUSH HUSH

THIS poor rocker's bunny boiler ex makes Fatal Attraction look tame. The malignant harpy has been stalking him around their old haunts and spreading lies about his sexual predilections. She has made his life a special kind of torture and still the sexy singer is too sweet to spill the beans about her penchant for nose candy and shameless gold-digging. But we're not.

Girls A-lewd at gay club

IT'S lucky **Girls Aloud** performed this unspeakably raunchy gig at a gay nightspot.

There aren't enough cold showers in the world to fix the testosterone eruption that would have ensued at a heterosexual venue.

The vixens of sauce strutted in lingerie that would make **Cher** blush at G-A-Y in London's Astoria club.

The fivesome performed their steamy new single Something Kinda Ooooh.

And even the camp crowd got excited when they misheard **Sarah Harding**, 24, who announced: "We've got our greatest hits out."

She was of course referring to their album which came out today, Sound of Girls.

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GREATEST BITS: Girls Aloud's Sarah Harding, above, Cheryl Cole, left, and Nicola Roberts, top left

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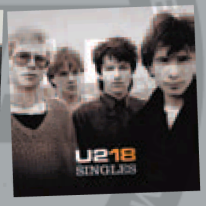

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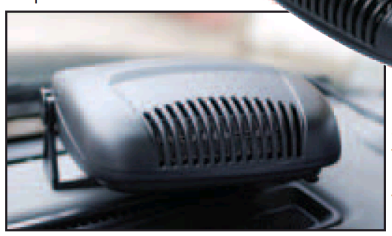

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HAVING A BALL: Usher gets up close and personal with his sexy dancer pal

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Now that's what we call fishnets

IT LOOKS like lucky Usher has netted himself a sexy new fan.

The singer got to grips with a curvy dancer dressed in a fishnet body-stocking at a big charity bash.

And no wonder Usher, 28, was all smiles as he took to the stage at the Carousel of Hope Ball in Beverly Hills, California.

He joined the sizzling dancer to recreate a routine from the hit musical Chicago.

Usher starred in the Broadway version of the show earlier this year as slippery lawyer Billy Flynn.

And while he got to dress in a sensible black waistcoat and crisp white shirt, his pouting pal really gave guests an eyeful.

You Make Me Wanna hit-maker Usher was among a host of celebs at the 17th Carousel of Hope Ball.

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■ by LIZZIE CATT

lizzie.catt@dailystar.co.uk

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U work all ur life, pay ur tax & help support all the lazy gits, then @ 58 doc sez u wont see 60. Sod work, i'm fill-in me boots while i can! **anon**

Mate in wheelchair 4 life. 3 hoody lads helpin him do canal boat up 4 months. Not all baddies eh? **Fare Dos**

to ian w i wear a baseball cap and graft my a*se off 7 days a week 2 pay morgage u dick. **Gav**

wats all this pish bout hoodys bein lazy? A wrk a 39hr wk and a wear hoodys! **Mark in fife**

To ian w, I wear a hoody & cap, no criminal record, clean licence, own house & work 4 an emergency service. **marky w**

Ian W, not all cap wearers are thugs. many a reason to wear a cap. chemo? golf? u stupid? **Mez**

steve, get off the gear man, yob culture is down to unloved kids being bred for benefits by scumbag lazy losers. do gooders dont help. **stevew**

2 Ian W spot on mate nearly fell off ma f-*?-n chair! **Ross R**

RADIO 4 "PRAYER FOR TODAY" NOW A PLATFORM FOR MUSLIMS TO AIR THEIR COMPLAINTS! SO WHATS NEW? **CRUSADER**

I agree with SADDENED BRIT, TOO MANY BLOKES IVE WORKED WITH ON SITE SAY HITLER IS THEIR HERO when it should be CHURCHILL. **Ricky the Bricky**

Dear Mr. Blair. Ref: HUNTING. Those who hunt are NOT natural Labour voters. Why not grasp the nettle and go for a TOTAL BAN on hunting? **FREDDY THE FOOL**

If you had the good luck to meet Kate Moss on a beach the last place you'd look is up her nose! **John**

2 darren what do u xpect english people 2 wear, a welsh shirt or a scotland hat u bawbag? **fifer**

ONLY 1 MAN 2 BRING BACK: SIR ALF RAMSEY. **VAMBO, GLOS**

What a fantastic gesture by alan shearer to donate his £1.6m testimonial money to charity, what a guy, what a player, much respect. **phil f**

IM RECENTLY RETIRED AND IM BORED. **ALAN SHEARER**

Leave South Park alone. Its always had bad taste. If you dont like it dont watch it. **Ian, M'bro.**

totally boyband, totally crap 1st time, totally crap 2nd time, totally crap single, totally out 4 the money, totally give up!! **Kk**

can anyone glue sharon o's gob up n stop her jealous rants at madonna?! **mad 1**

is xfactor sexist? last few weeks contestants have had 2 sing songs by male singers. rod stewart and tony bennet. **Puzzled**

We're sending home . . . Tony Bennett! **Simon, Louis n Sharon.**

To funky. If you think Catherine Tate characters all sound the same get your ears syringed out. **anon**

We think Nikki has a beautiful voice so your kitten must be purrfect denise! **c.a.t, ipswich**

Re Chelsea steve. Throw THE CLASH n THE UNDERTONES in there n thats 1 hell of a concert. PUNK ROCK RULZ. **TUFTE, NORN IRON**

yes i agree chelskie steve, bring back the specials. **vespa**

CHELSEA STEVES RIGHT BRING BAK 2 TONE N THE JAM! **WOLVO CASUAL**

CHELSEA STEVE, the Clash would be a good shout too! **PAUL**

RANDOLPH SCOTT? **johnny 7, hull**

Just bought flymo hovver vac. made right mess of front room carpet. **DIMWIT**

CHRISTMAS CANCELLED! Santa's danger workshop closed. Police say it's a elf hazard. **stubby fan**

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lady to ladette star louise porter with steven anderson. *hawick in liverpool*

‘Don't up tax on booze’

How stupid is patricia hewitt thinkin raising tax on bevy will stop binge drinkin teens? will just p off us adults goin for a pint. **leuchars**

To Nick, Poole, Geordie women are gorgeous but they only like real men, not shandy drinking southerners! **Paddy the Geordie**

2 daninblack only losers drink blackthorn. strongbow 4 eva! **darth**

sod magners, all hail BULMERS! **Cookie, lincoln**

Ive smoked 4 30 years, and theres nothing wrong with my lung! **sprad, leic**

If they can find Culture in Liverpool, how cum they cudnt find the Weapons of Mass Destruction? **ALAN, MANC**

seen the price of curry sauce? its extortionate. **m marshman, warrington**

HATS OFF TO COLEEN McLOUGHLIN, SHE PUTS REST OF WAGS TO SHAME. **steve, blackburn**

thanks to francis asking for picture of penny smith she must be the most gorgeous female on the planet. **Dave**

2 p.p its obvious how many "several" is. It is "few"! **sportacus**

2 Joe, Sheffield. DOH. bet u didnt kno Axl Rose is an anagram of oral sex! **Fruit bat**

lying down is convenient 4 midwives etc but wudnt it be better if mums stood & let gravity help with birth? **TYPICAL THICK BLOKE?**

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ANDY GREENSMITH, Hull.

AN estate agent is mugged and goes to the police station to report the crime.

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JOHN FOTHERINGHAM, Falkirk, Stirlingshire.

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BOYS have a bad image, being called hoodies and yobs, but I know this is not always true.

I know a lad, John, who runs errands for the elderly and helps the homeless.

He also saved my life. God bless you, John, and thank you!

GLENN BONES, Worsley, Manchester.

SO university eggheads claim to have cracked the Lotto (Daily Star, October 25). I reckon they were just lucky with their £5.3million win.

Bingo games have been using the same system for yonks – and how many of us are still waiting for that vital number to come up?

R. HOPKINS, Warrington, Cheshire.

I DO hope that Coronation Street's Rita and Norris will be safe on their trip to Budapest in Hungary. The recent riots there have got me worried.

DAVID ALLEN, Sheffield.

NO wonder Peter Crouch can't break the Abbey habit. Ms Clancy looks super-sexy in your photos. He's one lucky man.

ANTONY HARMAN, Eastbourne.

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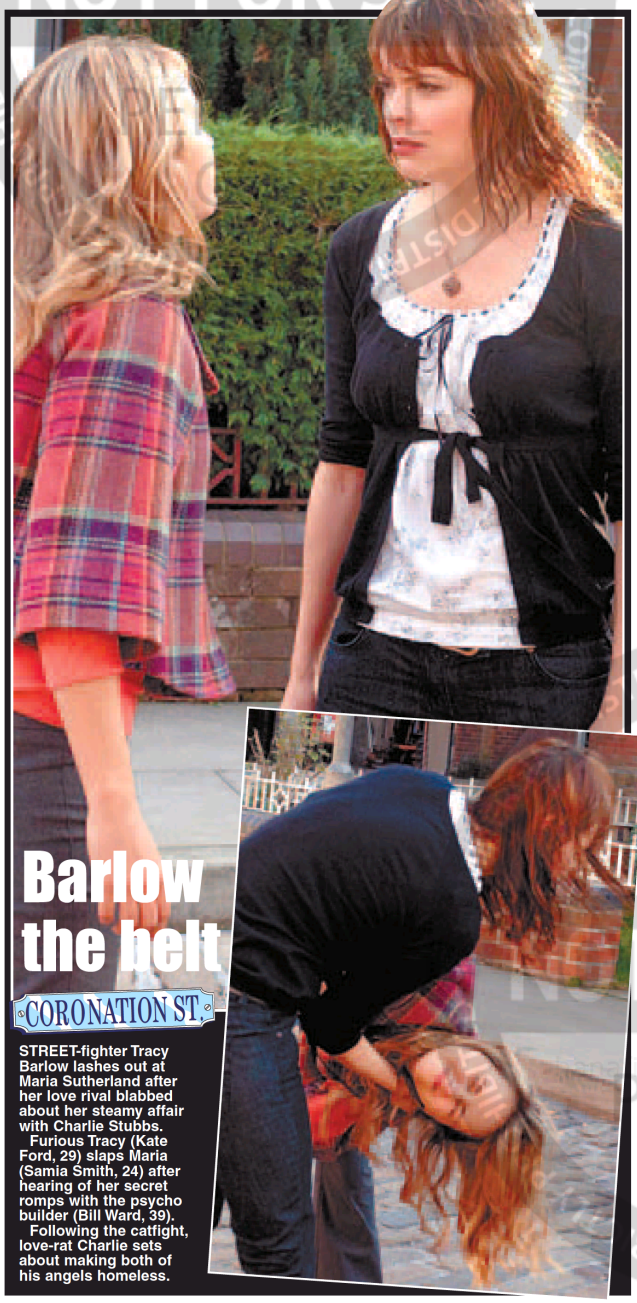

Barlow the belt

CORONATION ST.

STREET-fighter Tracy Barlow lashes out at Maria Sutherland after her love rival blabbed about her steamy affair with Charlie Stubbs.

Furious Tracy (Kate Ford, 29) slaps Maria (Samia Smith, 24) after hearing of her secret romps with the psycho builder (Bill Ward, 39).

Following the catfight, love-rat Charlie sets about making both of his angels homeless.

PSYCHO SEAN MAKES A MOVE

EastEnders

EVIL Sean Slater will have gangster Johnny Allen turning in his grave as he becomes head of his old house.

Devious Sean (Rob Kazinsky, 22) will sink his claws even further into new millionairess Ruby as he moves into her dad's pad.

Moving into Johnny's old home is part of his plan to take Ruby (Louisa Lytton, 17) to the cleaners and cheat her out of all the cash she's just inherited.

And Johnny's daughter still has no idea of his evil plans.

Disaster

Last night an insider on Albert Square revealed: "Sean moves in but he has absolutely no plans to play happy families with Ruby.

"She drags him off to the shops to buy furniture and really seems to want to start a new life with him.

"But Sean has other things on his mind.

"And he invites Stacey and Bradley to move in with them as well."

Our mole added: "It's a recipe for disaster."

Sean is also stunned when he discovers Ruby has planned an intimate night alone with him. And he pulls out all the stops to avoid being alone with her.

He's shocked even further when she reveals she's booked a romantic break to Venice.

But he has the last laugh when he sneaks off to the pub and offers his plane ticket to Mo Slater (Kacey Ainsworth, 36).

I was Zoe plain

HOLLYOAKS

BLONDE babe Zoe Lister thinks she's too ugly for Hollyoaks.

Curvy Zoe, 24, left, who plays screen siren Zoe Carpenter, says as a schoolchild she had thick glasses and gappy teeth.

She said: "I still have days when I think, 'I look awful. Why am I in Hollyoaks?'"

Peter's Ed ache

EMMERDALE

BATTLEAXE Edna Birch is forced to reveal she's not Peter's mum.

Edna (Shirley Stelfox, 64) meets his real mum – her sister Lily (Anne Charleston, 64) – at a family party.

An insider said: "There's a lot of history and heartache."

SOAP WATCH

What's on this week

EASTENDERS

- Honey breaks down and reveals that she can never love Petal and wants to put her up for adoption.
- Yolande is left out in the cold when Patrick gives her the boot over her fling with his pal Aubrey.
- Furious Jane calls off her wedding to Ian after discovering that he's been planning it behind her back.

CORRIE

- Maria is stunned when she walks in to her flat to find Charlie torturing David.
- Cilla and best pal Yana decide they will have plastic surgery.
- The Platts have their first counselling session and discover what they really think about each other.

EMMERDALE

- Val suggests to Chas that she use her cousin Eli to make Carl jealous but they get caught.
- Carl thinks Eli is a thief and batters him, before realising he's made a big mistake.
- Rosemary tells Tom that Edna is planning to propose to him after finding a ring.

HOLLYOAKS

- Schoolboy Ste crashes a car and Amy's life hangs in the balance.
- Sarah and Craig get the hots for each other after working together on a college project.
- Clare hits the roof when Max tells everyone they are planning to have a baby.

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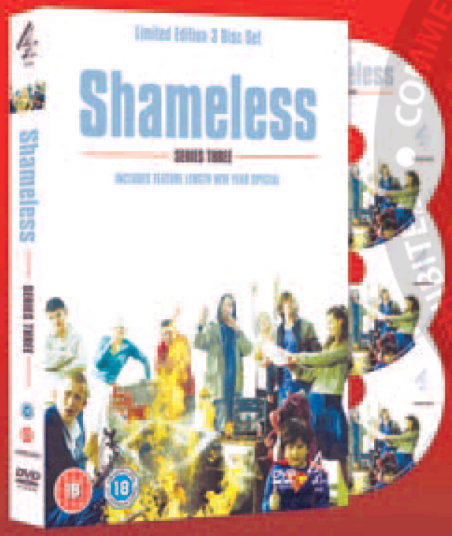

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THE *OK*! Celebrity Chart is based on stars' coverage in Express Newspapers – your Daily Star, Daily Star Sunday and our sister papers, the Daily Express and the Sunday Express – and *OK*! Britain's best celebrity mag.

TOP 40 ALBUMS

THE OFFICIAL UK ALBUMS CHART

1	(-)	RUDEBOX	Robbie Williams
2	(-)	THE BLACK PARADE	My Chemical Romance
3	(-)	BAT OUT OF HELL 3 – THE MONSTER IS LOOSE	Meat Loaf
4	(-)	STILL THE SAME – GREAT ROCK CLASSICS OF	Rod Stewart
5	(1)	SAM'S TOWN	Killers
6	(2)	TA-DAH	Scissor Sisters
7	(3)	RAZORLIGHT	Razorlight
8	(4)	UNDISCOVERED	James Morrison
9	(5)	EYES OPEN	Snow Patrol
10	(-)	ONCE AGAIN	John Legend
11	(12)	FUTURESEX/LOVESOUNDS	Justin Timberlake
12	(6)	THE OPEN DOOR	Evanescence
13	(10)	THE ULTIMATE	Luther Vandross
14	(7)	COSTELLO MUSIC	Fratellis
15	(-)	HOW TO GET EVERYTHING YOU EVER WANTED	Ordinary Boys
16	(8)	THESE STREETS	Paolo Nutini
17	(30)	THE TRUTH ABOUT LOVE	Lemar
18	(14)	INSIDE IN/INSIDE OUT	Kooks
19	(9)	ALRIGHT, STILL	Lily Allen
20	(21)	EMPIRE	Kasabian
21	(16)	I'M NOT DEAD	Pink
22	(13)	CORINNE BAILEY RAE	Corinne Bailey Rae
23	(-)	THE VERY BEST OF	Meat Loaf
24	(24)	BLACK HOLES & REVELATIONS	Muse
25	(11)	PRESS PLAY	P Diddy
26	(32)	B'DAY	Beyoncé
27	(26)	UNTIL THE NEXT TIME	Daniel O'Donnell
28	(15)	FOREVER BEGINS TONIGHT	Patrizio Buanne
29	(35)	UNDER THE IRON SEA	Keane
30	(-)	BACK TO BASICS	Christina Aguilera
31	(18)	SINGLES	Deacon Blue
32	(29)	THE SOUND OF	Bread
33	(22)	HITS	Roxette
34	(25)	MODERN TIMES	Bob Dylan
35	(19)	COMING HOME	Lionel Richie
36	(31)	TWELVE STOPS AND HOME	Feeling
37	(-)	ST ELSEWHERE	Gnarls Barkley
38	(38)	A GIRL LIKE ME	Rihanna
39	(23)	THE CRUSADE	Trivium
40	(-)	THE STORY SO FAR – THE VERY BEST OF	Rod Stewart

THE *OK*! CELEBRITY CHART

1) MADONNA: Madge claimed her African sprog's mum and siblings died from AIDS. She will return the tot to his dad when older and healthier.
2) PAUL McCARTNEY: Heather Mills has been told to shut up or risk ruining her £100m divorce claim against Macca. Meanwhile, tapes came to light of the former Beatle's late wife Linda pouring her heart out.
3) RICHARD HAMMOND: The Hamster will make a telly comeback this month.
4) PETE DOHERTY: Beat Doherty landed a snapper in hospital, but the slaparazzi smashed him on the head with a camera after a gig in Rome.
5) NAOMI CAMPBELL: The catwalk bruiser was released on police bail after spending 12 hours in a cell following her arrest for an alleged assault on her drugs counsellor.
6) SACHA BARON COHEN: It was Borat-mania as the comedian turned up as the spoof character for the London premiere of his film.
7) WAYNE ROONEY: Fiancée Coleen McLoughlin threw him a 21st birthday shindig.
8) STEVE IRWIN: Fury erupted after the crocodile hunter's death was mocked in a sick South Park episode.
9) JADE GOODY: Jade left her fella Jack Tweedy scarred after catching him with a glamour model.
10) NICOLE RICHIE: The star admitted herself into a clinic to receive treatment for her weight loss.

GOODY TWO BRUISE: Jade lashed out

TOP 40 SINGLES

THE OFFICIAL UK SINGLES CHART

1	(-)	STAR GIRL	McFly
2	(-)	PUT YOUR HANDS UP FOR DETROIT	Fedde Le Grand
3	(5)	SOMETHING KINDA OOOOH	Girls Aloud
4	(1)	WELCOME TO THE BLACK PARADE	My Chemical Romance
5	(14)	IRREPLACEABLE	Beyoncé
6	(2)	AMERICA	Razorlight
7	(19)	REHAB	Amy Winehouse
8	(3)	ROCK THIS PARTY (EVERYBODY DANCE NOW)	Bob Sinclar & Cutee B
9	(6)	IT'S ALL COMING BACK TO ME NOW	Meat Loaf ft Marion Raven
10	(4)	I DON'T FEEL LIKE DANCIN'	Scissor Sisters
11	(-)	YEAH YEAH	Bodyrox ft Luciana
12	(38)	LONG WAY 2 GO	Cassie
13	(7)	COME TO ME	P Diddy ft Nicole Scherzinger
14	(8)	WONDERFUL WORLD	James Morrison
15	(-)	SUPERSTAR TRADESMAN	View
16	(-)	TAKE A CHANCE	Magic Numbers
17	(-)	WE RIDE	Rihanna
18	(12)	SEXYBACK	Justin Timberlake
19	(9)	CHECKIN' IT OUT	Lil' Chris
20	(-)	OOH LA	Kooks
21	(17)	HIPS DON'T LIE	Shakira ft Wyclef Jean
22	(-)	BROKEN BOY SOLDIER	Raconteurs
23	(20)	CHASING CARS	Snow Patrol
24	(22)	BREAKING FREE	Cast of High School Musical
25	(15)	PROMISCUOUS	Nelly Furtado ft Timbaland
26	(21)	EVERYTIME WE TOUCH	Cascada
27	(16)	WHEN YOU WERE YOUNG	Killers
28	(11)	SUPERFREAK	Beatfreakz
29	(18)	LDN	Lily Allen
30	(-)	ONCE AND NEVER AGAIN	Long Blondes
31	(10)	LONELY AT THE TOP	Ordinary Boys
32	(24)	I DON'T NEED A MAN	Pussycat Dolls
33	(13)	IF YOU GOT THE MONEY	Jamie T
34	(26)	JENNY DON'T BE HASTY	Paolo Nutini
35	(-)	THE ONE	Upper Street
36	(-)	HOMO SAPIENS	Cooper Temple Clause
37	(25)	CALL ME WHEN YOU'RE SOBER	Evanescence
38	(31)	ME & U	Cassie
39	(28)	U & UR HAND	Pink
40	(37)	LOVE DON'T LET ME GO (WALKING AWAY)	David Guetta vs The Egg

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ROBBIE'S BOX SET

CONGRATULATIONS to **Robbie Williams** for notching up yet another No.1 album with his latest release Rudebox.

And yes, I know that it's a different direction for him, but Bob, 32, has made a record that people really need to stop dissing.

The rapping is questionable but the **Pet Shop Boys'** inspired She's Madonna and electro-flavoured The Actor are top tunes.

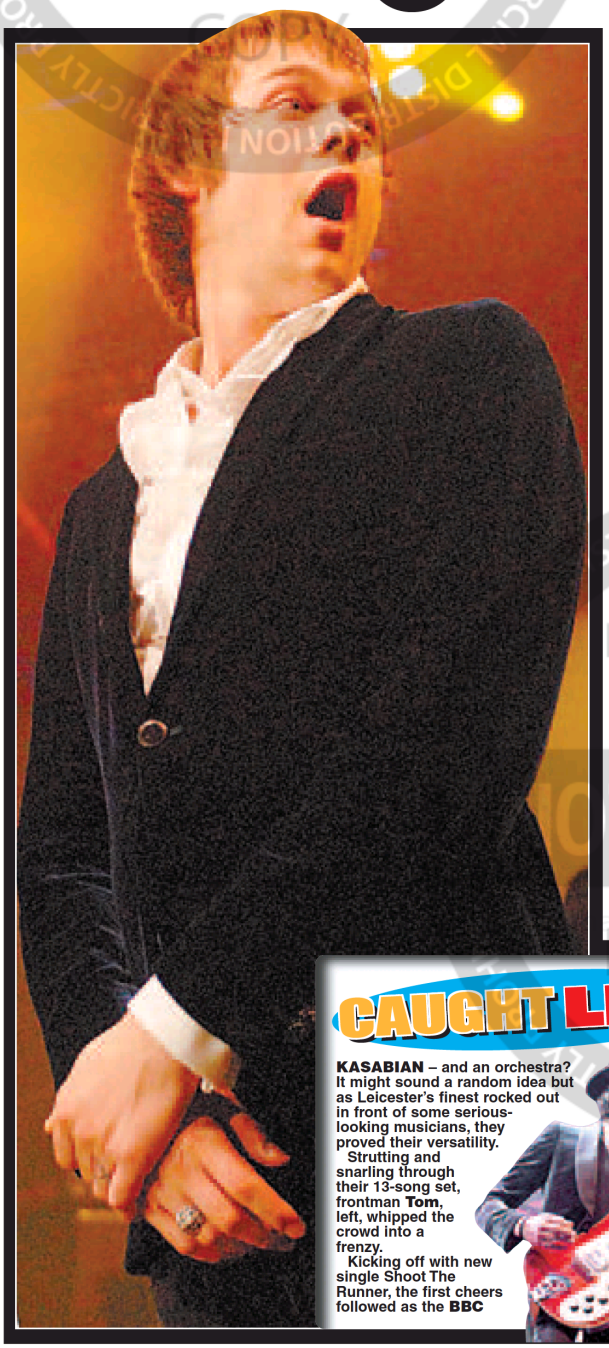
JOE MOTT'S DOUBLE AWARD WINNING Hot

Edited by KIM DAWSON

MOTT SHOT

PINK is enjoying the luxuries of being a megastar as it means she can up her touring budget. The 26-year-old said: "The show is a huge production, it's insane." Pink hits the UK on Bonfire Night.

Losing feeling



Rockers don't want Q gong

THE Feeling are secretly hoping they don't win their first music trophy at today's Q Awards.

Despite being chuffed their hit Never Be Lonely is in the Best Track category against **Snow Patrol**, **Gnarls Barkley** and **Scissor Sisters**, the soft rockers want to leave the bash empty handed.

Frontman **Dan Gillespie-Sells** told me: "I have a weird thing about awards – I'm not sure I agree with them.

"I feel embarrassed pitched against someone. It becomes a competition. We do this because we love making music."

The Feeling, who hit the No.2 slot with their debut album Twelve Stops And Home, are heading back from their US tour to attend today's event at the Grosvenor House Hotel in London.

EXCLUSIVE

Dan said : "I don't want to be rude or snub them as I love Q Magazine and the fact the readers vote for the awards."

Party

The 28-year-old might prefer to shy away from the whole point of such industry events, but Dan started going to them at the tender age of 16 when he was studying at the Brits school.

Pupils of the academy get to make up the crowd along with record label suits and artists.

Dan explained: "I love the Brits. I went when I was at school and we tried to get into the party after.

"It was the year **Jarvis Cocker** flashed and we found a fire exit to break into.

"The party was a bit disappointing though. It felt like an office do – loads of music people getting drunk. Mind you, we never say no to a bit of free alcohol."

There will of course be plenty of booze at the awards. I told you last week how £200,000 is being spent on the stuff.

And, though Dan might not want to win, **Johnny Borrell** wants to pick up both awards **Razorlight** are nominated for.

Their splendid self-titled second record has a nod in the Best Album category and the four-piece, currently on an arena tour, are also up for Best Live Act.

Johnny, 26, told me: "I'd love to win both of them. I'd love to win all the awards they've got going."

Oasis, **U2**, **Keane**, **Razorlight**, **Girls Aloud**, **The Kooks** and **Manic Street Preachers** are all dusting down their finest togs for the lunchtime ceremony.

Don't miss tomorrow's Hot when I'll tell you exactly what happened.

HOT DATE FOR FOXY RIHANNA

SONGBIRD **Rihanna** will add a touch of raunch to the World Music Awards.

Sexy Rihanna, 18, is planning a spectacular performance for the bash at London's Earls Court on November 15.

Gwen Stefani, 36, **Nelly Furtado**, 27, and **Beyoncé**, 25, will also be catching Hot's attention.

And **Michael Jackson**, 48, is returning to the public eye too. He'll receive the Diamond Award for the 25th anniversary of the release of his Thriller album.

Personally, it's the modern day female icons I'm most looking forward to.

Rihanna is celebrating another Top 20 hit with We Ride joining the charts last night.

CAUGHT LIVE

KASABIAN

Roundhouse, Camden

KASABIAN – and an orchestra? It might sound a random idea but as Leicester's finest rocked out in front of some serious-looking musicians, they proved their versatility.

Strutting and snarling through their 13-song set, frontman **Tom**, left, whipped the crowd into a frenzy.

Kicking off with new single Shoot The Runner, the first cheers followed as the **BBC Concert Orchestra** performed an interlude before joining in on the anarchic Empire.

Axewielder **Serge**, left, drew attention as the lads stormed through Reason Is Treason, Processed Beats, and surpassed themselves with a cracking rendition of Club Foot, with **Zac Starkey** on drums.

U2's Adam Clayton, **Donny Tourette** from **Towers of London**, **Oasis's Andy Bell** and **Editors** singer **Tom Smith**, watched as the boys finished on a high with LSF.

Serge proclaimed the evening as: "F***ing empire." Few could disagree.

BETH WILLIAMS

Off Patrolling

SNOW Patrol bassist Paul Wilson, 28, has done in his left arm and shoulder, forcing the band to cancel some European dates.

Docs have told the Scot to rest for a month.

Singer Gary Lightbody, 30, said: "Paul is gutted and feels terrible about it but sense must prevail. We'd rather he not lose the use of his arm.

'He's a great hugger... and he can play the bass a bit too."

Snow Patrol are nominated for Best Track and Best Album at the Q Awards.

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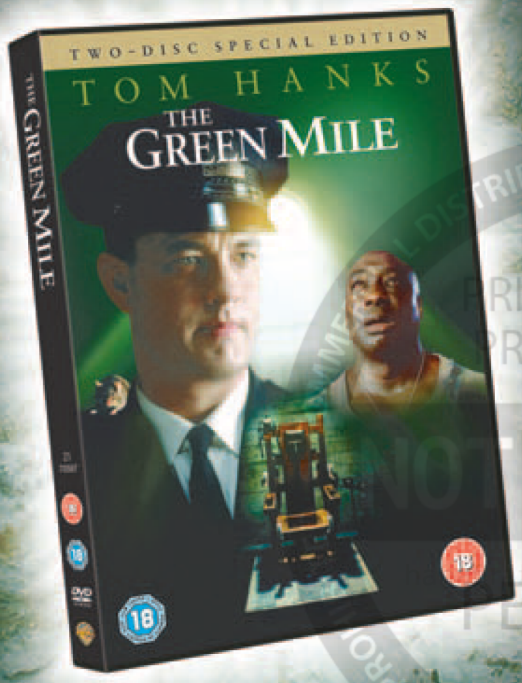

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